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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated November 17, 2005, requiring an election of species for searching purposes, Applicants hereby elect the first species, directed to figure 1 that includes a flexible tip for a hearing aid with an inner portion being formed of a first material and a mushroom shaped portion being formed of a second material, as the species. Claims readable on the elected species are 1-9, 12-20 and 23-24. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions or species. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions or species.

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